WILLIAM JONES AND HIS TWO SONS TELL OF THE KILLING OF JOHN G. WATTS

THE JURY.

ARGUMENTS

JOHN JONES TESTIFIED

from his brother, and he picked up

th ew them at Watts and the horse

but didn't know whether he hit

Watts or not, as he was greatly ex-

WILLIAM JONES

that he was up the hill some dis

tance from George. When he ran

George. When he saw what wa-

to Warts as he lay on the ground

and put his hand on his shoulder

nd called to him and asked him it

that he was serioraly buit he came

and if he had been nearer could

GEO. JONES TESTIFIES.

second time with an oath, "Open

would kill the last d-h one of them,

struck harder than he thought.

hat he had no idea of killing him.

As your correspondent from the

place has not sent you the news

for some time I thought 1 would

Last Sunday was an old time

Miss Lettie Elawhick of Big

Rev. Builderback did not fill in

appointment at the church last

Sunday on account of the bad

Mr Ace Smith of St.Paul wa

last Saturday night and Sunday.

move to Cedar Bluff, and Mr. R.

K. Gillespie will take possession of

the place where Mr. Cecil now

The school at this place closed

last Friday, and Miss Mand Repass

any Gaus . except be care and go d

spondent at Paint Lok. Cedar

Bluff and other place ! We world

Four of The Greatest

There are four great publics-

tions which come regularly to this

fice viz; The Scientific America,

Sin and Sunday Enquire. Thes

management of the tea her.

Crock, is visiting at Mr. L.

Balls, this week.

send you a few of the late t.

to the killing.

rock thrown.

The tather of the boys, said,

William Jones and his two sons, tried to persuade him to go to a George and John, were put on trial shooting match in the neighborhood Menday morning, before Judge and thought he had decided to do Steart, in the County Court for the a. Lawrence went in e hous billing of John G. Watts, on No sond saw nothing of the ir gedy. vember 29th. last.

The court room was crowded with people from all sections of the county, standing room being at a premium. Ne trial, probably, in sited so muck interest. The crowds in attendance have I cen arge all the week. There was cited. jury as was anticipated. The jury s made up of the following citizens from different sections of the coun-

S. H. Gills and J. C. Holbrook. Wri ht's Valley; Wm. Shannen, and A. J. Nash, of Blueste in; F. HI. Hilt and J. A. N. al, P. or Val ley; B. M. Tilly, Rehlards; Mah. lon Anderson and G. W. Hinkle Sinking Waters; D. W. Dudley at once to town after a physician. Shraders; T. W. Wingo, Cedar Blaff, and Paris Thompson, of Tazowell.

Mosers. Henry & Graham, Me.srs Chapman & Gillespie and A. S. Higginbetham are assisting in the presecution. Messra. H. C. Alderson, J. N. Harman, V. L. Sexton and J. O. Wysor of Pulaski, are employed by the defense.

THE EVIDENCE.

John G. Watts, it will be remem- the gate." The gate was opened by Oscar Hedrick, and Watts rode in. bered, was instantly killed on Fri- de, Jones was digging a post bole day morning, Nevember 29th, near above the gate. Watts rode in his his home, three miles east of tows, direction, and turned his horse's post hole digger, in the hands of George Jones. William Jones and left has d and put his right hand in residence becomes well painted when his two sons, George and John, his overcoat pocket. Jones said he were employed by Bowen Watts was excited and struck with the and his step mother, Mrs. Watts, post hele digger, and supposed he to build a line tence on land recently laid off by the court They went to work on the morning of November 29th. John G. Watts rode into the field and objected to the fence being built, and ordered the work stopped. He rede up to or nea George and John Jones, and was struck by George as above, and in a ansly killed. His skull was crushed, there are three distinct wounds, one of which, it was claimed, was made after Watts fell from his borse. A rock was doubt near by with blood and hair adhering to it, which seemed to fit exactly one of the woulds.

EYE WITNESSES TESTIFY

Belle Dingess, a colored woman employed by Mr. Watts as cook, was really the only ey e witness to the tragedy except the acrused men. Oscar Hedrick, a young colored man, was present but did not wee the killing. He said that Mr. Watts rode down and ordered him to open the gate. Watts rode in Jones, and words passed, and as Jones struck Watts, he (Hedrick)

> Belle Dingass testified, that early in the morning Wm. Jones roce up the teacher went to ber home at Cedar Bluff. This school bas had Bowes Watts. His father, John Cedar Bluff. This school has had Watts, came out and told Jones a better attendance than for several that he had no business with Bowyears. And we do not kn w of en, and went back to the house and Bowen to go out and see his ment out and he and Jones arranged to go on with the work as watts got on his horse and rode e was looking from the sittieg room window, saw a man ran up and saw Watts fell from his borsa. After Watts bad fallen she saw two men run up and all ree menbeat down ever him; did

James Lawrence, a white man at did not see the killing. He | great publications cover the ground ht out Watts' horse and see- comp etely-the Ultima Thule of ing Watts was in a bad humor information.

who struck Watte.

Hon. J. C. Wysor.

Convention.

J. C. Wysor, of Pulaski county, who is member of the Constitutional Convention, is here assisting in the defense of the Jones's, who are charged with the marder of John G. Watts, He says the convention is work and he thinks will end its labors by the first of March. He hinks the suffrage question will be as already been made.

Mr. Wysor is a member of this committee and signed the majority report. He says the chief objection s that it allows the board of Comwas up on the hill some distance opanies in the state. two rocks and ran down pearer and

He says that while the . pposition will be very stubborn and will pre dict wees unnumbered if the report is a 'op'ed, yet he believes it will be adopted without any amendment whatever, by a decisive majority. He says, while all of the committee worked hard, that A. C. Brax up the hill some distance from ton, the Chairman, is entitled to going on he ran down and called to it is the ablest paper yet presented to the convention. He says the daily papers in Richmond are vio lently opposed to the report, but that ne was hurt. When he found out the Convention is composed of strong patriotic men, and has a head of me

Mr Wysor says that in his opinior bave prevented the tragedy. He the new Constitution will be a great knew Watts perfectly, but the boys improvement upon the old one. He did not. He said he saw no rocks ays the people should demand of thrown. This is is substance the convention with one voice that the testimony of these chief witnesses proposed Constitution be submitted to the entire present electorate for ratification as submission to an

Letter to John B. Jackson,

Dear Sir: You like a fine picture, and shuted his bridle rein to his as a well painted residence. Every one with the Longman & Martinez Paints, and we assure you that your property, and your neighbors' property, when painted with our paints, He saw no other blow struck or will add beauty so the landscape; will cost you less; and will wear longer than any other paint. Paint and painter's work guaranteed satisfactory, else your bouse will be repaint. ed free of cost. Mesers. Moss & Greever will always supi ly you.

Respectfully. LONGMAN & MALTINEZ, Paint Makers.

Items From Railey.

Bailey, Va., Jan. 23. - Rev. Z. D, Holbrook was called home from Jan. 16. bis pastorial work in Kentucky a day or two ago, to the bedside of two of his children. Little Price and Samy are both said to have pheumonia.

Master Robert A. Hounshell had quaintences in Tazewell the guest of of Mrs. Nanni- Clark severe attack of flux last week. our Dr. Reysolds soon raised him Consolidated Coel, Iron Mr. T. Z. Cecil is preparing to up, so he is about well again.

> It appears that Mr. Henry Gill. of this Valley, has withdrawn from he partnership of the firm of Gill and Baylor, in the operation of the Graham Irou Farnage, as he is looking and a job of stable building for Walton and Co.

ONE SIDE.

W T. Witten & Co's, New Store W. T. Witten & Co. have moved to their new store in the Peery block and have opened up a full line ice new goods to which they are making frequent additions. They curry a full stock of goods, and are serve their customers. This old exrienord frm nerd no co

Freeders Gazette, The Bunday

Richlands Awakning

This little town which was thought to be almost buried beneath Talks of the Work of the the boom of the early nineties, is showing of life, pulsations of its life are now being felt.

The Town Hill C al Co., are now working and shipping coal. We are told by its efficient manager. Mr. A. M. Stinson, that they will song be able to ship 3 cars per

The Big Creek Coal Co., is now working. They are expecting an engine and as soon as it arrives practically settled in the Democratic they will ship 5 or 6 cars of coal. conference, and that the only subject Wounderstand this company has likely to create extended debate in spent some \$7000 or \$8000 on their the Convention is the report of the lessed premises and have recently Committee on Corporations which found a very valuable very of

made shows it to be of a superior officers for whom he may offer to quality. We are glad they have vote, two years recidence in the to the report made by its opponents found this vein at they hav expen. State or year in county or city, ded so much on the premises, and tirty da in the precinct; pay missioners to fix the rates of rail oad When their engine comes and they ment of poll-tax six months prior to increase their force of men, that dute of election; waters are to be calls for more houses and more registered once each year; the sel- County trade for the merchants.

The M. Fugate Lumber Comp push, and we understand is daleg a bartote without a sistance, unless very profitable business.

The Tri-state mining and Mfg., Co., recently purchased the old assembly to prescribe additional glass factory. They are siming to out the plant in operation that wil grind 100 tone of baryta per day.

Bank of Clinch Valley.

The Bank of Clinch Valley bas just issued a neat folder to its patrons and the public, which hows the Bank to be in a good condition

The capital stock is \$168.54 9 at The officers are: 8. C. Graham President; B. W. Stree, Vice President; and Henry Pres'on. (ashier The Directors and Finance t om-

mittee are composed of well know He said, Watts rode up to the abridged electorate would be an act gate near him and asked that the of autocracy, tyrrany and oppression David E. Johnson, H. W. Straley, gate be opened, and repeated the net to be endured for a moment.

Sc. and H. W. Straley, Jr., who are well know? business men of West Virginia.

OLD SOLDIER DEAD:

Williams Served Three Years In Confederate Prison.

A. L. Williams, an aged and Lighy respected citizen, died at 11:30 clock yesterday morning, a to home of his son-in-law, R. B. Chris tian, in the west sud.

Mr. Williams was a veteran of the civil war baving served more than three years in the Confederate States army. Six months of this time be spent in the federal prison at Heart's Island, N. Y.

The deceased was aged 75 years two months and fifteen days, and thad been a consistest member of the Me hodist Courch since ear'y man

His remains were taken to his former bome at Christiansburg, Vs., for interment.-Bluefield Telegroph.

Mrs. Frank Lewis, of our town.

He spent much of his time here in recent years, and was highly respect ed by his many friends and so

Land Company.

Fourth Dividend of Capital. Notice is hereby given tha the stockholders of the Consolidated Coal, Iron and Land Company in g s vi meeting of the Company ordered a dividend of capital of \$10 00 per share of the Preferred stock payable on the 15th day of April, 1902 at the office of the Company in the City of Philadel has purchased the store house, until phia, Pennsylvania to preferred stockholders of record on | Co. The | Presis building is to be the first day of April, 1902 by the replaced by a fine new brick ballding production of the certificates of to be used as a hardware stors. stock in order that there shall be stamped thereon the amount of prepared better than ever before, to said dividend and of the amount of the reduced capital hereby.

> CHARLES S. THORN. January Sch, 1902. Card of Thanks.

Messrs. Frank and Jun . and their eisters wish to thank their friends and seighbors for their great kindness during the late ill ree and death of their mother Mis

H. C. STUART'S SUFFRAGECLAUSE PRESENTED

Empowers Assembly to Prescribe Onalification of Voters, East of Pluc Ridge.

Mr. St art, of Russell, to as at

doll owed by t vot . his vife, The analysis of this coal recen is at leve a lain the duties of the dier cause, property clause, and unders'anding clause are not to January 17, 1908 any is one of our sading enter- remain in force after Jan. 1, 1906. prises. Capt. Fugate is a man of Voters are to prepare and depesit physically disqualified.

Section 7 empowers the general qualifications to any county or city. of this State east of the Blue Ridge Mountains as pre requisite voting in any election for county or city officers.

The registration is to be under the upervision of a board of three com-

Ballots are to be counted in the presence of the public, the ballotbox to be kept at all times in full view of the voters. All ballots are te be printed without symbols of any kind. Judges of the circuit court are to name the judges of election, no office-holder is to hold the office of election Judge or com-

The proposition submitted by Mr. Stuart was laid on the table and or dered to be printed -Richmond

Reduced Rates to the West.

Commencing March 1st and daily bereafter, until April 30th. 1901, the Winsconsin Central Ry. will sell Settlers' tickets from Chicago to points in Montana, Idaho, Oregon Washington, and British Columbia. at greatly reduced rates. For detailed information inquire of nearat Tick t Agent or address T. D. CAMPBEEL, G. P. A.; 218 Pike Building, Cincinnati, O., or W. H. ALLEN, 621 Park Building, Pites burg, Pa., or JAS. C. POND. Gen'l Passenger Agt. Milwanker

E. L. Stowers Arm CutOff,

News reaches us this morning that Mr. E. L. Stowers of Thompson Val. ley, had his arm out off yesterday at the saw mill of the Chilhowie Lumber Company, where he was at work.

Mr. Stoners was about 40 years old, nd has a large family.

The Smallpox Situation.

There are one or two new cases in Alex Johusons family within th past week. The cases in Lynn hol low are about well. Ted K'tte is well, and no indications of new casein the family The case in Thompsons Valley is about well, and no new

The Witten Store Sold.

Ramor has it, and it seems to be well founded, that Alex. St.Cian the recently occupied by T S. Witten &

It was t a son of the Editor, not the Editor himself, who left the News office for Washington. The Editor s til transacting business at . . vid at ud, gud from all indications will continue to do be for ome time to come. He could a's ery well get a way if he would.

MACTY ICUCANA

Legal Notices

NOTICE. fo the Cushman Iron Co. (a corport

Take notice that Frank Pirk will make mution before the County Court of lazewell County on the 24th day of February, 1902, to have an order enter ed satisfying a certain judament rendered in your favor against nim by a justice of the peace of Tazewell County, Virginia on the 27th July, 1893 for \$57.72 with in terest from 26 May, 1893 till paid and 80c, costs; docket in Judgment Lien Docket No. 5 page 166 in the offse of said Court, which was paid by said Firk on 23; December, 1896.

An mouvit baying been filed in the said office that the Cushman Iron Company is a foreign corporation and not a quired to appear within 15 days after due publication of this order to do what it may deem necessary to protect its interest

T. E. GROBER Clerk. G. W. ST. CLAIR, ALLY.

NOTICE.

Court of Taxewell County on the 24t day of February, 1902, to have an order entered atist, ing a certain jadgment resdered in rom March 5, 1894, till paid and 500 cos. .. ocketed in Judgment Lien Docket No. as paid by said Firk on 23, December. An atfidavit having been filed in the ed to appear within littees days after

w. W. St. clair, Atty.

due publication of tuts order to do will

To the Lookout Lumber Company, (a co Mila) f.c. 11. 11.11 will make motion before the County Court of Tazewell County on the 24th day of February, 1902, to have an order rendered in your favor against him by of said Court, with was paid by said Firk

An affidavit baving been filed in the said office that The Loo Lumber Company is a foreign corporation fore required to appear within is days after due publication of this order to de what it may deem necessary to protect Its

ginth designated as let No. 19 and Improvement Co., in the town is sad out to the Con on the records, in this office that you further notified to appear in the from the date of this not

The SPORTING WORLD

Der Billiardiete Abroad. Jacob Schaefer, who recently a great championship tourney in son fiquare Garden, New York.

Schaefer has for several years the most prominent figure in the An



scan billiard arena. He is the great

tel, who performed creditably in Amer-ica. Barutel returned to Paris recently

It is Schaefer's inten in the various tournaments to be held during the winter in the foreign captto come back with a co

Caring a Gun Shy Dog.

An old hunter tells the following

story relative to gun shy dogs: "A few years ago I owned an Iciah I used to take him on a chain fastened to a belt at all my welst and used to it as close in front of his pose as dared and the This was manners, but to cure bim of running in hat there was fun to be had some times to addition. Eventually whenev er he saw me pick up the gun he went of his death, although only a terrier, be was our of the best dogs with the gun I ever hade"

NOTION

To H. C Jones & W. E. Bane:-You unted in the County of Taxow section 15, as shown on map of Det G aham in the town of Graha old on the 20th, day of Droomber 1898 or deliquent taxes, levies and cost to rear 1697 and application for the purice; and it appearing from the records, a this office that you are interested in spear in four months from the date of this potice and do what may be nece

mry to probet your interest. Given under my hand January 29th T. E. GROBOS Clerk.

Sold For Taxes To Walter M. Gorham, Graham La

tiffed that Three Lots of lead at